



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Lewis, *et al.*

Application number: 09/481,643

Filed: January 12, 2000

For: *Method and Apparatus for Integrated Network Management and Systems Management in Communications Networks*

Attorney Docket No.: APB-014CNRCE2

Group Art Unit: 2176

Examiner: Chau T. Nguyen

**Mail Stop RCE**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**Post Office Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**RECEIVED**

**NOV 24 2004**

Technology Center 2100

"Express Mail" Mailing Label Number EV 419 927 185 US

Date of Deposit November 19, 2004

I hereby certify that this transmittal letter and the papers referred to as being enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Signature

David R. Burns

Please Print Name of Person Signing

**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows.